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-->The DOE's DEIS fails to meet the standards required by NEPA.

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First, [the NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE fails the NEPA standard that alternatives be "reasonable." Alternative scenario 1 assumes that the waste would remain where it currently sits for the next 10,000 years, while scenario 2 only provides for 100 more years of monitoring. DOE itself states in the DEIS that it recognizes that neither scenario would be likely if there were a decision not to develop a repository at Yucca Mountain, yet "Alternatives...(are) the heart of the environmental impact statement." (NEPA, part 1502.14) In short, the DEIS lacks any value whatsoever without a genuine alternative.

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Second, [the DEIS does not identify and analyze specific route conditions, hazards and community impacts. For example, no

where does the DEIS examine the likely increase in highway/bridge/rail maintenance for the states and communities along the transportation corridors. Nor does the DEIS assess the costs to the corridor communities to upgrade their emergency preparedness. Thus, the DEIS does very little to "assist in making informed decision about proceeding with the proposed action..." (NEPA, part 1500.2)

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Please revise the DEIS to address the projects specific impacts upon the communities located along the transportation corridors and [please offer a credible alternative to waste disposition at Yucca mountain.]